

**MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LAKE PARK
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
3801 LAKE PARK ROAD, LAKE PARK, NC
FEBRUARY 24, 2014**

Commission Members Present: David Cleveland, Fabian Szarko, Wayne Daniels, Kris Kirwan and Cathy MacArthur.

Clerk: Cheri Clark

Call to Order: David Cleveland called the February 24, 2014 Parks and Recreation meeting to order.

Public Comments: There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes: Wayne Daniels made the motion to approve the January 27, 2014 Regular Session minutes as presented. Fabian Szarko seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Changes to the Agenda: Under Events Add E. Spring Litter Sweep.

Council Actions: David Cleveland shared that Council approved the following:

1. \$2100 for three new pet waste stations, installation and five cases of bags.
2. Kiker Tree Service will be addressing the tree/light conflict in the Village - \$3,000
3. Extension of Lucas Landscaping 's contract for two years starting March 1, 2014 to March 1, 2016.

Budget Report: David Cleveland discussed the Budget Report.

1. Community Center Painting - \$2,007.34
2. Tree removal - \$3,102.50
3. Chemical Treatments for the ponds - \$4500

Next month we will be working on the Parks and Rec budget for Council.

Veterans Pond: Ashley Dance discussed a proposal to install an American Flag and flagpole at Veterans Pond between the stone wall and the center holly shrub. The Garden Club has offered to pay for the flagpole and installation of the flagpole - \$688.19. The VOLP would be responsible for the maintenance of the flagpole after installation. The SAGES have offered to donate a park bench to the go in front of the stone wall and Ashley Dance requested that P&R pay for the installation of a second bench at the wall. On either side of the stone wall, three Patriotic Hostas have been proposed. Sean Lowther proposed that Lucas Landscaping be approached about donating the Hostas.

Ashley Dance also proposed moving the trash can to another location in the park and installing a pet waste station at the current trash can location.

The Garden Club and SAGES would like to see a dedication ceremony either Memorial Day or Veterans Day. Concerns were expressed about Veterans Day. Fabian Szarko made a motion to approve the gift from the Garden Club. Cathy MacArthur seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

David Cleveland shared that the price for a decorative bench the last time we ordered, which was several years ago was \$500 each for the larger ones and \$450 for the smaller bench. For planning purposes, we should probably figure \$550 to \$600 per bench. Wayne Daniels made a motion to approve P&R purchasing a bench. Kris Kirwan seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous. David Cleveland will talk to Lucas Landscaping in reference to the Patriotic Hostas at the stone wall.

Pet Waste Stations: Stormwater has purchased three Pet Waste Stations. Ashley Dance would like to see a pet waste station in Veterans Pond Park. One of the stations will go in Founder's Park around Conifer Circle and Mother Teresa and the other will go in the Townhome area. Wayne Daniels also suggested that we relocate the Pet Waste Station at Lake Charles Pond because it is not part of the traffic pattern.

Community Center: The Community Center will be painted March 7, 8 and 9th.

David Cleveland discussed the sound system for Chambers. He proposed a Bluetooth speaker and Bluetooth transmitter for about \$400.

Landscaping: David Cleveland shared that Council approved the Lucas Lawn and Landscaping Contract. The new contract takes effect March 1, 2014.

The list of trees to be removed or pruned for the tree light conflict has been finalized. Kiker Tree Service will start the work tomorrow weather permitting. We have added a few additional trees that the need to be removed due to the recent weather. The three Cherry trees in front of the Community Center are dying and need to be removed; they will also be added to the scope of work. Fabian Szarko made a motion to approve \$3,500 for tree removal. Cathy MacArthur seconded the motion. We will be removing 36 trees in all. Vote – Unanimous.

Ponds: David Cleveland shared that the Russell Park Pond dredging contract with Lucas Lawn and Landscaping has been signed. The project will be complete by April 15th before the Girls on the Run event.

In order to stay ahead of the pond algae, David Cleveland requested that P&R consider three chemical pond treatments before the end of the fiscal year. Aquatic Resources usually charges about \$1,500 per treatment for all of the ponds. Cathy MacArthur made the motion

to approve \$4,500 for three pond treatments. Fabian Szarko seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Pool: The large pool pump motor has to be replaced. A new 7.5 hp motor with a two year warranty is \$3,450 or a rebuilt 7.5 hp motor with a three month warranty is \$2,375. Cathy MacArthur made a motion to put a new 7.5 hp motor on the pump. Fabian Szarko seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Pool Membership rates have remained the same for the last four seasons. The pool is an amenity; however it is the recommendation of P&R that we raise the rates this season. The proposed Pool Membership rates for 2014 are as follows:

Season Pass	Residents	Non-Residents
Individual	\$135.00	\$200.00
Couple	\$200.00	\$270.00
One Parent/One Child	\$200.00	\$270.00
Family	\$270.00	\$325.00
Senior Couple (55 & over)	\$170.00	\$200.00
Senior Individual (55 & over)	\$ 90.00	\$100.00
Senior (75 & over)	Free	\$ 55.00

Fabian Szarko made a motion to approve the modest pool membership increase. Cathy MacArthur seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Events: Cathy MacArthur shared that the banners for National Night Out are \$29.80 each, however; the minimum order is five. The Village of Lake Park has registered to participate in National Night Out.

Fabian Szarko has contacted a couple of different DJs for the Fourth of July Event. One company has a \$500 package that has no announcements or a silver package for \$650. The other gentleman, Henry McGee would charge \$300 to DJ the event. The parade should start at 11:30.

Common Heart Love in Motion 5K run/walk was enjoyed by all that participated. The runners were divided into age groups with a lot of prizes being given.

Girls on the Run is scheduled for April 26th.

A Spring Litter Campaign was discussed and Fabian Szarko, Cathy MacArthur and Kris Kirwan will be working on coordinating the event. The potential date for the event is May 3rd.

Central Academy at Lake Park will be using the tennis courts again this year for their tennis season. Practice is scheduled to start this week. The season runs February 24th – April 29th. A schedule will be posted on the tennis court fence. With the exception of Central Academy's usage, the courts are open to the public on a first come, first serve basis.

David Cleveland thanked everyone for coming out to the P&R meeting, the Garden Club and SAGES for their gifts to the Village and to Ashley Dance for her work at Veterans Pond Park.

Adjourn: Cathy MacArthur made the motion to adjourn. Wayne Daniels seconded the motion.
Vote – Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheri S. Clark
Clerk